

time. By the way are
here had quite a little
excitement up here, about
the Japaneese persimmon
and that returned missionary
Mr. Leamis. You will remember
he came here last summer to
talk to Papa about that fruit
and was astonished to find
that he had the trees. Since
then he had written two or three
times to Papa asking questions
about his method of raising
them and Papa in the simplicity
of his heart giving him all the
information he could ^{and}
now he had brought trees and
seeds from Japan (which of course
he had a perfect right to do)
but saying in his advertisement
that he has the only reliable
trees in the state; which
he had no right to say.
However the result had
been that Papa had sold
more trees in consequence
of his advertisement.

Papa is very impatient
to have me close up on I

Dear
Grand-Boys
Afana
Mama

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Dear Abillie

I have no doubt that it
is a blessing to be here, as you and
I evidently do to the Huron people
and I trust I always shall be
Huron. Still I am forced to own
that once in awhile I get ^{ever}
little too much of even such
a good thing. Ohima also has
taken Sam away last week, and
Annie and I had the house
work to do. I assure you ^{there}
is music in the tramp of
his feet in the kitchen in
the morning assuring me
that I need not hurry up to
prepare breakfast.

I suppose Annie wrote
you about Miss Fitcher

her funeral occurred last Tuesday. They will miss her in Dr. Humphill's. She was very active and having means and leisure could accomplish a good deal. Aunt Jennie made us a little visit. She seems much as she did. She is now trying the blue glass having had a pane put in to her bedroom window and when the sun is in the right position she lies on her lounge under the blue rays. It is to be hoped we shall learn something of the effects of it. I must confess that I have no faith. Auntie says Edlie was 75 per cent this month which is an improvement. Nettie seems to be carrying off app. horses. I hope you rec. your box of

apples all right and that you will enjoy them. I wanted to put some pop corn in but Annie said she did not think you would want it and did not approve. I suppose you would like to have me say how Annie is. I hardly know what to say. I do not see any change she seems so exactly the same from week to week. When Aunt Jennie was here she said that it seemed to her Annie was a great deal better, and I thought perhaps she could judge better than me who are with her all the time.

When do you have a vacation I want to know long enough beforehand to make my arrangements for some sewing for you at that